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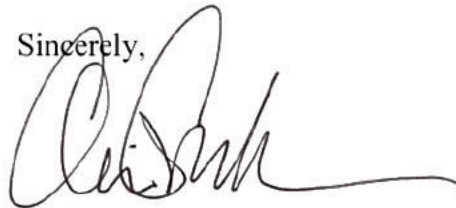
Dear Mr. Michelsen:

I am writing in response to the petition from Dakota Prairie Refining, LLC (Dakota Prairie) for a one-year small refinery exemption from the requirements of the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS) program for Dakota Prairie's refinery in Dickinson, North Dakota for 2015. **Redacted Material Not Subject to Review Per Court's 7/23/2020 Minute Order**

Based on the above, EPA is denying Dakota Prairie's request to evaluate its petition for a one-year small refinery exemption from its 2015 RFS obligations. This means that as of January 1, 2015, Dakota Prairie's gasoline and diesel production are subject to the percentage standards of 40 CFR 80.1405, and Dakota Prairie is subject to all other requirements applicable to obligated parties. In addition, should Dakota Prairie produce renewable fuel and/or generate or acquire Renewable Identification Numbers (RINs), it will be subject to RFS regulatory requirements that apply to such actions.

If you have any questions, please contact Byron Bunker of my staff at (734) 214-4155.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Chris Grundler', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Christopher Grundler, Director
Office of Transportation and Air Quality